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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR FILING OF DIVISIONAL APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.53(B) AND

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

I. Introduction

Applicants respectfully request acknowledgement of the filing of this divisional application of application serial number 09/79,789, filed February 22, 2001, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and Applicants further request entry of the following preliminary amendment: